

of excellence, community service and social activities.

The 2008 Arts Fest has already made a significant impact in Northern Virginia. By employing 150 members of the community to actively work on all aspects of ArtsFest, engaging 120 host families to provide housing for the 250 visiting teen artists and enlisting nearly 800 more volunteers to help during the festivities, the JCC Maccabi ArtsFest is truly living up to its 2008 theme "Yachad" meaning "we are one".

The ArtsFest comes at a time when the general perception is that passion for the fine arts is being lost; I am glad to know that this is not the case in Virginia. To see creativity by teenagers flourishing in festivals such as this is very promising for the continuation of artistic innovation for generations to come. I know that Fairfax is glad to be part of such a promoted event within the Jewish artistic community nationwide.

By engaging so many volunteers and encouraging participation in the fine arts, the JCC Maccabi ArtsFest has truly been a catalyst for enhancing our community in Northern Virginia. For this, Fairfax is greatly honored to be the host of the 2008 JCC Maccabi ArtsFest.

HONORING TREVOR BOSAK

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 24, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Trevor Bosak of Kansas City, Missouri. Trevor is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1180, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Trevor has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Trevor has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Trevor Bosak for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

TRIBUTE TO MR. GLENDEN CASTEEL

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 24, 2008

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments and dedication of the Bedford Rotary Club's 2008 Citizen of the Year, Mr. Glenden Casteel. Mr. Casteel will be recognized for his service at a banquet held in his honor on July 28, 2008.

Over the past decade Mr. Casteel has worked consistently to enhance the value of the community in which he has lived. Since 2003, Mr. Casteel has made every effort as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the

Bedford County Historical Society to lead the society forward in a positive direction. Mr. Casteel's invaluable leadership in this society has opened the door for new beginnings in Bedford. These beginnings include the idea and adoption of a new official flag for Bedford County, as well as, the establishment of "Bedford County Day". Mr. Casteel's oversight in both of these new additions truly brings the community together and no doubt illuminates his nomination by the Bedford County Historical Society for the 2008 Citizen of the Year Award.

As a retired school teacher, Mr. Casteel has always understood the immense importance of history and has sought to inform others in his community of the historical uniqueness of Bedford. Historic education is a cornerstone which Mr. Casteel has sought to preserve by helping to establish the Bedford County Heritage Alliance—a coalition to provide a means of cooperation among historians throughout the United States. He also serves as an active member of the Bedford County 250th Anniversary Advisory Group which celebrates the founding of one of the most instrumental counties in Pennsylvania. Mr. Casteel strives to highlight Bedford's venerable historic achievements and bring a community together with knowledge.

As he reflects upon his work as a leader among many, Mr. Casteel can be proud of his life of service with which he has found a great amount of success. Mr. Casteel's dedication has brought a greater appreciation to our area and his accomplishments are a monumental asset to the community. I would like to wish Mr. Glenden Casteel all the best in his future endeavors as he continues to serve Bedford County. I am confident that Mr. Casteel will continue to faithfully contribute his knowledge to the community and I thank him for his dedication and service.

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM C. DEMENT, M.D., PH.D.

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 24, 2008

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Dr. William Charles Dement, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the Stanford University School of Medicine, and the Division Chief of the Stanford University Division of Sleep, on the momentous occasion of his 80th birthday and his 45 years of service to Stanford.

Born in 1928 in the State of Washington, Dr. Dement attended the University of Chicago, where he earned his M.D. in 1955 and his Ph.D. in Neurophysiology in 1957.

A pioneer in the scientific study of sleep and sleep disorders, Dr. Dement began his career in sleep research as a medical student in the 1950's when he joined the lab of Dr. Nathaniel Kleitman. There, from 1954 through 1957, he helped discover and describe Rapid Eye Movement (REM) sleep and established the sleep patterns of humans as well as the relationship between REM sleep and dreaming. In doing so, he launched a new field of scientific discovery.

Dr. Dement joined the Psychiatry Department at Stanford University in 1963, where for

the past forty-five years he has continued his studies on the neurochemistry of sleep and the functional significance of the different sleep states, and has become one of the world's foremost experts on sleep disorders. Among his many major accomplishments, he established the world's first Sleep Disorders Clinic in 1970, started the publication Sleep Reviews, has written hundreds of scientific papers on sleep and dreaming, and developed the Multiple Sleep Latency Test which remains the standard diagnostic measure of daytime sleepiness. He has established an extraordinary human research program at Stanford which has led to the discovery and understanding of countless sleep-related disorders as well their clinical implications and the development of effective treatment strategies.

Dr. Dement co-founded the Sleep Research Society in 1961 and the American Sleep Disorders Association (ASDA) in 1975, where he served as President for 12 years. During his Presidency, the ASDA grew from five sleep disorder centers with twenty individual members to 140 accredited centers with over 2,000 members. In recent years, Dr. Dement has shifted his focus from research to public education about sleep disorders and the health dangers of persistent sleep deprivation. At the age of 80, Dr. Dement still works at least 40 hours a week and continues to direct the Sleep Disorders Clinic and Research Center. He is legendary for his research on dreams and is one of the most popular lecturers ever on the Stanford campus.

Madam Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in honoring this distinguished American on the occasion of his 80th birthday and his 45th anniversary at Stanford University. As Dr. Dement celebrates this important milestone, the gratitude and respect of the entire House of Representatives are extended to him for his decades of contributions to academic research which have illuminated the significance of sleep and for his work which has formed the basis for the diagnosis and treatment of millions of people affected by sleep-related disorders. How privileged I am to know him, to represent him and to have him as my friend. America is immeasurably better because of him.

HONORING JEFFREY COOK

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jeffrey Cook for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.